

REMARKS

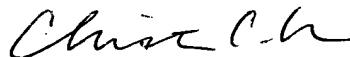
The within Amendment is presented in order to amend the description to include a section entitled "Brief Description of the Drawings". The Amendment is being filed in response to an Office Communication mailed on July 8, 2004, which noted an inconsistency between the drawings and specification. In particular, the Office Communication required that a description for drawings 1-37 be provided in the specification.

It is respectfully submitted that the within Amendment may be entered under Rule 312 despite the fact that the issue fee was paid earlier. In particular, MPEP section 714.16(d), subsection III, permits entry of amendments filed after payment of issue fee where such amendments are required by the Office of Patent Publication (as in the present instance).

No new matter is added by the within Amendment. Applicants respectfully request that the within Amendment be entered prior to issuance of the patent.

While it is believed that no fees are needed for entry of such Amendment, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105, should any fees be required in connection with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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